

May 4, 1970

Report of the meeting of the Business & Industrial Coordinating Council held on Monday, May 4, 1970 - Vail Hall, New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., 540 Broad St., Newark, N.J.

PRESENT:

Mrs. Ruth McClain - BICC Co-Chairman
Mr. William L. Hoffman - BICC Co-Chairman

*Mr. Roland E. Stewart

J.W. Helmstaedter
John S. Clarkson
Joseph Partenheimer

Henry Boardman

Leo L. Selling
Hayward H. Miller
Calvin C. Miller
David B. Ruff

F.J. Frerichs
Les Rupprecht
James L. Henderson, Jr.
Maudie Nelson

Robert Neff

H.J. Hautau

Alphonse Okibedi

Alvah J. Adams

Leonard B. Freeman

John A. Griffith

Dufecia Watley

George Fontaine

Richard Proctor

Horace Hunt

Rev. Joseph A. Stulb

Arnold W. Dancloweth

Tony O'Flaherty

Roslyn Rosenthal

Julius Foster

Marshall Wolf

Barbara Parker

Paul Epstein

Anthony Di Ubaldi

Hugh E. Young

George Phaley

John Burton

Elsie Layton

Charles W. Breese

Alexander Mark

Greater Newark Urban Coalition

Fidelity Union Trust Company

BICC

New Jersey Bell Telephone Company

Mutual Benefit Life

BICC

Western Electric Company - Kearny

New Jersey Rehabilitation Commission

Newark Teachers Association

National Teacher Corps

Better Business Bureau

Firemans Fund American Insurance Co.

Newark Public Library

Project Equality of New Jersey

Dayton Community Council

U.S. Savings Bank

Weston Instruments

Essex County College

Presbyterian Center

Project Equality

Public Service Electric & Gas

Newark Teamsters Union

Joint Apprentice Program

BICC

Metropolitan Ecumenical Ministry

Archdiocese of Newark

New Jersey State CAPPS

Essex County Welfare Board

New Jersey State Employment Service

Western Electric - Newark

National Newark & Essex Bank

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Bambergers

Newark Board of Education

Newark Board of Education

Urban League of Essex County

Urban League

Clinton Hill Council

New Jersey College of Medicine & Dentistry

Department of Defense

* Mr. Roland E. Stewart - New Executive Director of BICC

MEETING CONCLUDED: 6:20p.m. by Co-Chairman, Mrs Ruth McClain.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE: (Bank Boardman) In 1968 two Junior High schools in Newark were running the Industrial Arts Curriculum Program. We hear so often and read about what's wrong with education. Tonight we have a group of boys who will demonstrate and tell the story of what's right with education. Bill Devonald, Director of Practical Arts, Board of Education told how graduates from colleges were used to develop courses of study in the I.A.C.P., and that the Federal government provided subsidies for the program. A trip was made to Ohio State by Mr. Boardman and two other teachers to get ideas and information on how to start a program here in Newark. Upon their return the program was set up in West Kinney Jr. High, and Webster Jr. High. The 2 projects are The World of Construction and the World of Manufacturing. The I.A.C.P. is in its 2nd year of experimentation. There is a need to impress educators of the value of this program. It is ongoing and should be expanded to give all children the benefit of what the program has to offer. It is a general education program for boys and girls giving them insight into the world of work.

Mr. Louis Quarino, a teacher at West Kinney and Mr. Albert Danieri also a teacher showed slides on the World of Construction & Manufacturing. Wesley Danilow and Jan Press teachers at Webster Jr. High were also introduced. The students who participated in the I.A.C.P. demonstrated the making of a man from a site board and a coat hanger with each boy taking a part in making the finished product. Since the program started there have been no severe discipline problems in the I.A.C.P. After the demonstration slides were shown on construction & manufacturing, after which there was a question and answer period.

QUESTION: What are some of the things you have made that are saleable?

STUDENT: Salt & pepper shakers, high intensity lamps, and coat hangers.

QUESTION: Who is eligible for the program?

STUDENT: Every boy in the 7th grade can participate in the arts program. First they work in the World of Construction and then on to the World of Manufacturing.

QUESTION: Is this an all day program?

STUDENT: No, just 1 period of 45 minutes.

QUESTION: Do each of you have only one job to perform?

STUDENT: Each person has a chance to do everything. We work as teams.

QUESTION: What about homework?

STUDENT: No written homework is given. We have daily assignments. Tests are given and reading is done at home from our manuals.

QUESTION: Has this program helped to make up your minds as to what you want to be?

STUDENT: Yes. After actually working at it, it has helped to make up our minds, and encouraged us to look further into the possibility of making it our career.

GUEST

SPEAKER: Leo Selling, District Supervisor of the N.J. Rehabilitation Commission.

Mr. SELLING: The rehabilitation program was started in 1918. It is a part of the Federal Dept. of Health, Education & Welfare, and also of the State Dept. of Labor & Industry. The program deals with people who have handicaps induced by physical, emotional or mental disturbances, or acquired by birth, sickness or accident, or handicaps of social indocement, disease or aging. We try to get people in spite of their handicaps rehabilitated so they can be useful in employment and help to maintain themselves. The people we work with must be of employment age. We have no age limit on senior citizens. Clients come to us from other agencies by referral. We provide some medical treatment braces, physical therapy, job consultation, etc. Our counselors have an intimate working relationship with the client. The client has to sign an application before he is accepted for help. We have spent as much as \$40,000.00 on one client.

This year we have had 25% less referrals than the previous fiscal year. We rely on agencies such as COPE, TEAM, CIRC, and State Employment Service for our clients. We are in the process of looking for people to help. I am here to invite you to inquire about our services and direct people to us who might be able to benefit from our services.

QUESTION: Is there a limit to the amount of money spent on a client?

Mr. Selling: No limit, but we must stay within a reasonable amount.

QUESTION: How far do you go with any given client? Do you have a cut off level?

Mr. Selling: Technically, to the potential of the client, truthfully within the reality of the client. We tailor our program to the clients needs.

QUESTION: You say you have had a drop in referrals, a man was sent to your office rehabilitation, who was a drug addict, and he wasn't accepted. What happened there?

Mr. Selling: We are very understaffed when it comes to drug addiction. We don't have the resources or follow up necessary for drug addicts. Our funds do allow us to venture into other programs we know are needed.

BICC GENERAL MEETING

MAY 1970 MINUTES

RUTH

McCLAIN: Thanked Mr. Hank Boardman and Mr. Leo Selling for their presentations, and gave David Ruff, former Executive Director of BICC, a public goodbye and wished him well as Executive Director of the Better Business Bureau.

JOHN

BURTON: (Personnel Committee) Introduced Mr. Roland E. Stewart, the new Executive Director of BICC.

ROLAND

STEWART: I see this position with the BICC as a challenge. The BICC has unlimited opportunity to be an arbitrator in the city of Newark, and to lead those who are interested in bettering the community. With BICC, the kind of traditional things it has been doing, and the kind of things the community people want done, we're going to have a good time. The only way to go is up.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m. by co-chairman Mrs. Ruth McClain, reminding the community to get out and vote in the May Election. Mrs. McClain also informed the community of a newly formed consultants agency called, Lester F. Russell & Associates, Minority Affairs Consultants & lecturers, 310 Belmar Blvd., Farmingdale, N.J. 201- 938-5574

Next BICC General Meeting, June 1, 1970, Vail Hall, N.J. Bell Telephone Co., 540 Broad St. Newark, N.J. at 6:00 p.m..

PROGRAM

J. HARRY SMITH

Vice Pres., Essex County College

N.J. Boys Chorus School